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## Alice Springs Cycling Club (ASCC) Events Calendar Guide 2026

Welcome to the ASCC Events Calendar. The calendar outlines the events that the club will run throughout the year and provides details on event Directors/Commissaires for each event and explains the points system for each race series.

### 1. Event Directors, Commissaires and Volunteers.

ASCC is a not-for-profit association that is totally reliant on volunteers to conduct events, which means we need all riders to contribute to events throughout the year. All senior road riders and parents of juniors are expected to assist by directing or assisting with at least one road event. Each event has an event Director who is responsible for organising the event and for races there is also a Commissaire who oversees race regulations and safety. Event Directors/Commissaires will be awarded 5 points (7 for Gran Fondos, Handicap races and K/QoH) for events that they act as event Director or Commissaire and do not ride/race. Members who do not officiate or assist with at least one road event may not be eligible for road awards at the end of the season.

The ASCC has a Volunteer Support Policy. In recognition of the demands placed on volunteers, an allowance is provided for officials volunteering at listed events (Event Director, Commissaire, Chief Volunteer – if applicable). Please see Volunteer Support Policy for details.

Nominated event Directors take responsibility for organising the event including finding additional support for marshalling, timekeeping and course-setting. If nominated for an event and you are unable to complete your duties you are asked to organise a suitable person to take on your listed role. This may include swapping with another person listed to officiate on another date. If you make any changes please confirm all changes with the following contacts:

**Event Directors** - please contact the ASCC Road Event sub-committee to inform them of any change or issues: Max Yffer [max.yffer@bigpond.com](mailto:max.yffer@bigpond.com) 0408 780 361; Laurie Berryman [treasurer@alicespringscc.com.au](mailto:treasurer@alicespringscc.com.au) 0409 855 282.

**Commissionaires** – Please contact Mandy Hargraves on [Officials@alicespringscc.com.au](mailto:Officials@alicespringscc.com.au)

### 2. Event Equipment

The event Director is responsible for organising the event equipment prior to the event and returning everything after the event. The event box and equipment are kept in the locked storeroom (roller door) at the Clubrooms. The event Director's key will be passed on by the event Director from the previous event (who could also pass on event equipment). If you do not hear from the previous event Director by at least 4 days prior to the event, give them a call. For information or to resolve issues contact the Road Event sub-committee.

### 3. Riders

All riders are required to have a current AusCycling membership (or are to take out a short-term membership with AusCycling) prior to the event:

- Race memberships are required for all racing events except Time Trials (Lifestyle Membership sufficient).
- Lifestyle memberships are required to participate in social rides conducted in conjunction with race events.
- Go to [www.auscycling.org.au](http://www.auscycling.org.au) to obtain your membership (ensure you select Alice Springs Cycling Club).
- Proof of membership is to be presented at sign-on at all events (if requested).
- Riders who do not present evidence of a current valid membership will not be allowed to race.
- All equipment, bikes, helmets etc must meet AusCycling regulations and requirements.
- The Commissaire may carry out inspections at any of the events.
- For most events riders are required to wear race numbers which will be provided at sign-on.

4. **Event Fees** There may be fees charged for some events. This will be published prior via the Alice Springs Cycling Club website and FB page.
5. **Points Series** There are points awarded (based on finishing place) to riders for each race that contribute towards each of the following series: Criterium Series, TT Series and Road Race Series. Points from all of these Series, together with points from handicap races and Gran Fondos contribute toward the Overall Road Race Series.

## Criterium Series

The criterium series comprises six races: 3 x Telegraph Station and 3 x Cameron St - ASCC Clubrooms. The first 5 races are held at the beginning of the season, while the last race is the Club Championship held at the end of the season.

- All riders will be graded into A, B, and C grades. Juniors U15 will race separately. While AusCycling Road Regulations allow for U17, U15, U13 and U11 age categories, being a small Club, the ASCC generally does not have the numbers to justify having each Junior category. Riders will nominate their grade most appropriate to their ability; adjustments of grades may be made by the Race Director/Commissaire/Coach.
- The final lap will commence when the leading rider crosses the line following the completion of the race time.
- Lapped riders will finish in order behind the lead rider but have their position adjusted in accordance with their lap deficit.
- Lapped riders may be pulled from the race at the Race Director's / Commissaire's discretion.
- Lapped riders are not to influence the outcome of the race.
- Riders may miss a lap and rejoin the race following a mechanical failure.
- Race Directors can delegate responsibilities to a suitable experienced person and still race.
- Race Directors/Commissaires will be awarded 5 points if they don't race.
- If a rider changes grades, they may take half their accumulated points to the new grade.
- Crit Series grade winners shall be based on accumulated points.
- Riders must be ASCC members to be eligible for Crit Series awards.
- All Crit Series Points contribute to the Overall Road Series Points.
- Riders must participate in a minimum of three criterium races to be eligible for awards.
- Points are awarded for starting, finishing and for the places as per the table.

### CRITERIUM SERIES POINTS

Place	Points
1st	10
2nd	8
3rd	6
4 <sup>th</sup> and below	5
DNF	1

## Time Trial Series

The Time Trial Series comprises four races: 2 x 10km TT Darken Drive (Simpson's Gap) and 2 x 20km TT 20km Santa Teresa Rd, including the Club Championship TT.

- There are generally four divisions: Male, Female, Junior Male (incl. U17, U15 and U13 combined) and Junior Female (incl. U17, U15 and U13 combined). The Junior categories are usually combined due to the small numbers of juniors riding. However, the maximum race distances as specified by the AusCycling Technical Regulations (<https://auscycling.org.au/clubs/event-organiser-hub/technical-regulations>) must be taken into account when officials decide on categories for the event.

- Time trials have points awarded on the basis of the number of starters in each division and contributing to the series aggregate.
- Race Directors can delegate responsibilities to a suitable experienced person and still race.
- Race Directors/Commissaires will be awarded 5 points if they don't race.
- TT Series category winners shall be based on accumulated points.
- Riders must be ASCC members to be eligible for TT Series awards.
- TT Series Points contribute to the Overall Road Points Series.
- Riders must participate in a minimum of two Time Trial races to be eligible for awards.
- Riders must have participated in at least three club road events in the calendar year to be eligible for TT Championship medallions.

### TIME TRIAL SERIES POINTS

Place	Points
1st	10
2nd	9
3rd	8
4 <sup>th</sup>	7
5 <sup>th</sup>	6
6 <sup>th</sup>	5
7 <sup>th</sup> and below	4
DNF	1

## Gran Fondos

There are three Gran Fondos (long-distance road cycling events in which large numbers of participants ride a marked route).

1. Stuart's Well (90km)
  2. Glen Helen (126km)
  3. Ross River (78km)
- Some Gran Fondos may commence with a neutral section. This is to be determined and communicated to the riders on the day by the Race Director. Junior riders shall only ride where the distance is less than the maximum allowed.
  - Race Directors will be awarded 7 points if they don't race (same as participants).

### GRAN FONDO POINTS

	Points
All riders	7
DNF	1

## Handicap Races

There are three handicap races: Flynn's Grave - Len Kittle Drive (27km), Maryvale Road and return (40km) and MVR – High Point Marker and return (34km). Riders will be started in accordance with the allocated handicap established by the Director / Commissaire based on form and recent performances. Riders may be started in groups.

- Junior riders may participate in the handicap races, however, the maximum race distances as specified by the AusCycling Technical Regulations (<https://auscycling.org.au/clubs/event-organiser-hub/technical-regulations>) must be taken into account when officials decide on juniors participating in the event.
- Points shall be awarded in two parts: (1) in order of finishing and (2) in order of shortest lapsed time (where such times are recorded).
- Handicap races have points awarded in accordance with the table and contributing to the Road Points Series aggregate.
- Race Directors/Commissaires will be awarded 7 points if they don't race (higher than the standard 5 points given the higher points on offer for this race).

### HANDICAP POINTS

Finishing Order	Points	Shortest Elapsed Time	Points
1st	6	1st	6
2nd	5	2nd	5
3rd	4	3rd	4
4 <sup>th</sup> and below	3	4 <sup>th</sup> and below	3
DNF	1		

## Club Championship Road Race

- All riders will be graded into A, B, C (and Social/Junior if applicable) grades. The maximum race distances as specified by the AusCycling Technical Regulations (<https://auscycling.org.au/clubs/event-organiser-hub/technical-regulations>) must be taken into account when officials decide on categories for the event.
- Riders will nominate their grade most appropriate to their ability.
- Adjustments of grades may be made by the Event Director as appropriate.
- A and B grades may be started together where the race distance is equal and either grade has less than 5 riders or if there are insufficient numbers to race separately.
- All grades that start together may race together.
- Grades that start separately must race separately. i.e. no drafting between grades.
- Social riders may be started with C Grade.
- No times, places or competition points will be awarded for social riders.
- Riders must have participated in at least three club road events as an ASCC member in the calendar year to be eligible for Championship medallions.
- Grade Race points count towards the Overall Road Series Points.
- Event Directors/Commissaires will be awarded 5 points if they don't race.

### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP ROAD RACE POINTS

Place	Points
1st	10
2nd	8
3rd	6
4 <sup>th</sup> etc	5
DNF	1

## King/Queen of the Hills

- The King/Queen of the Hills is an ungraded race commencing at the MVR and finishing at the High Point Marker (17km). There is a neutral section from the ASCC Clubrooms to the start at MVR.
- Points are awarded according to the table below.
- King/Queen of the Hills Points contribute to the Overall Road Series Points.
- Event Directors/Commissaires will be awarded 7 points if they don't race (higher than the standard 5 points given the higher points on offer for this race).
- The Grant Heaslip Memorial Trophy is awarded to the first rider aged at least 21 who has been an ASCC member for at least three years.
- There are prizes for the first junior (must be still at school or finished this year; be a member of the ASCC) male and female - a return airfare to attend a national/interstate competition. These prizes are funded by the Heaslip family.
- There are prizes (\$100 voucher funded by the Heaslip family) for the Male Sprint (Tony Muscat Memorial) and Female Sprint (Alexis Rhodes). The sprint points are announced by the officials at the start of the event.

### KING/QUEEN OF THE HILLS POINTS

Place	Points
1st	12
2nd	11
3rd	10
4 <sup>th</sup>	9
5 <sup>th</sup>	8
6 <sup>th</sup>	7
7 <sup>TH</sup>	6
8 <sup>th</sup>	5
9 <sup>th</sup>	4
10 <sup>th</sup> and below	3
DNF	1

## Cyclocross Series

- Cyclocross is a fun, social event that everyone can join.
- All Events are held at the ASCC clubrooms and incorporates riding around the perimeter of the site, over a few hurdles and a lap of the velodrome.
- Mass start, with male and female, junior and seniors for each race.
- Seniors 25 minutes + 1 lap; Juniors 15 minutes + 1 lap.
- The final lap commences when the leading rider crosses the line after completion of the race time.
- Lapped riders will finish in order behind the lead rider but have their position adjusted in accordance with their lap deficit.
- Riders may miss a lap and rejoin the race following a mechanical failure.
- Series grade winners shall be based on accumulated points.
- Points are awarded for starting, finishing and for the places as per the table.
- Points do not count towards the Road Points Series.
- Series presentation at the conclusion of the final race of each series.
- Event Directors will be awarded 5 points if they don't race.
- Event Directors can delegate responsibilities to a suitable, experienced person and still race.

#### **CYCLOCROSS POINTS**

<b>Place</b>	<b>Points</b>
1st	8
2nd	6
3rd	4
4 <sup>th</sup> and below	3
DNF	1

## **Gravel Races**

Gravel racing is a popular cycling discipline mixing road & mountain biking, featuring long-distance races on unpaved surfaces like gravel, dirt roads, and singletrack, using versatile gravel bikes. It offers adventure with fewer cars, varied terrains, and events for all skill levels, from challenging endurance events to shorter, scenic rides, combining exploration with competition.

For the first time, the ASCC is aiming to introduce gravel racing into the calendar of events. Two races are scheduled with details to be provided prior to the events.